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Mrs. John Flint has been seriously ill at her home on High street.

Rev. Clark Carter occupied the pulpit at the West church on Sunday.

Prof. and Mrs. John Phelps Taylor have been visiting in Boston for a few days.

The regular term examinations have been taking place this week at Punchard school.

George W. Stiles of Washington avenue has been drawn as grand juryman for the year.

Mrs. William Coutts and daughter Bessie of Boston spent Wednesday in town visiting old friends.

Lewis P. Lindsay returns to his home on Walnut avenue from Pennsylvania State College tomorrow.

The Foreign Missionary society of the Seminary church met on Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Wm. B. Graves.

The annual clam supper will take place at the Engine House this evening. The usual good time is anticipated.

The Royals will hold a dance in the town hall on Friday evening, December 29. Music by the Columbian orchestra.

Rev. F. R. Shipman, who has been spending the past few weeks with Mrs. Shipman in Bermuda, returned to Andover Tuesday night.

Miss Ruth Farnham entertained the members of her Sunday school class on Tuesday evening at the home of her sister on Summer street.

Tickets for the "Messiah," to be given by the Lawrence Choral society Wednesday evening, January 3, can be had at the Andover Bookstore.

On Thursday evening, December 28, at eight o'clock, a meeting of the finance committee of Indian Ridge Rebekah lodge will be held in I. O. O. F. hall.

Several of the local Oddfellows went to Methuen on Monday evening to visit Hope lodge of that town. The third degree was conferred on six candidates.

Rev. Dean A. Walker of the West church, who has had a month's leave of absence from his duties on account of ill health, has returned to Andover, much improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank S. Mills, who have been spending the summer at Province Lake, N. H., visited here a few days this week. They left town again on Wednesday.

William Baker, assistant superintendent of the street department, is confined to his home on Morton street with an injured foot, caused by the dropping of a drag upon it.

All the children of the primary department of the South church Sunday school are requested to meet in the vestry at three o'clock on Saturday afternoon to rehearse for the Christmas concert.

The next meeting of Lincoln lodge, A. O. U. W., which was to have been held on Monday evening, has been postponed to Thursday evening, December 28. At that time the annual election of officers will take place.

The crossing of telephone wires was responsible for the wild ringing of the fire alarm on Wednesday afternoon. It was at first thought that a fire had broken out, but the real cause of the trouble was speedily located.

The public schools close today for the Christmas recess. The vacation this year, owing to the new eight-week term arrangement which was put into effect in September, will be of one week's duration instead of two, as formerly.

Another generous donation to the Swimming Pool Fund at Phillips Academy has recently been made. The donor is William Wrigley, Jr., of Chicago, whose son is now at school here. Mr. Wrigley has sent a check for $1000 to aid the fund.

The Baptist Christian Endeavor society held election of officers on Wednesday evening. The results were as follows: President, William Eaton; vice-president, Alfred Lundgren; secretary, Miss Edith Keirstead; treasurer, Mrs. Sarah Turner.

Andover Grange held a regular meeting on Tuesday evening at which the first and second degrees were conferred on a class of eleven candidates. There was a good attendance of members, and several visitors were also present. A special meeting for the working of the third and fourth degrees will be held on December 29.

The Andover Natural History society is planning to conduct a trip to Cambridge next Thursday, December 28. Various points of interest will be visited, including the Harvard museums and the Botanical Gardens. The party will leave Andover on the 9.35 train, and not only members of the society, but all others who are interested are cordially invited to attend. If the weather should prove unfavorable, the trip will be postponed until the next day.

It is hoped that every one who has at any time been a member of Punchard School will lend a hand in making the course of entertainments planned by the Senior class and the Alumni association, a success. Subscribe now for your tickets so that you may have first choice of reserved seats. The course consists of three entertainments, the first given by the Weber quartet, assisted by a reader; the second given by the Eccles Company and the third given by local talent. Tickets, $1.25.

The Guild house will be closed from December 22 to 29.

Professor E. Y. Hincks preached at the South church on Sunday morning.

There will be no session of the Sunday school at Christ church next Sunday.

The R. C. O. A. will hold its annual banquet in A. O. U. W. hall this evening.

Miss Florence MacCreadie is at her home on Whittier street for the holidays.

Miss Helen Allen of Cuttyhunk is visiting Miss Sarah Saunders of Highland road.

Miss Alice Temple is working in Hugo Beil's store, in Lawrence, during the holidays.

Miss Katherine Kelsey of Abbot Academy is spending the Christmas holidays at her home in Lexington.

Guy Bickell, who is attending school in Pennsylvania, is at his home on High street for the Christmas holidays.

Miss Sarah Saunders, a teacher in the eighth grade of the center school at Foxboro, is at her home in town for Christmas.

There will be morning prayer and Holy Communion with sermon by Dr. Palmer at Christ church on Christmas Day.

There will be a Christmas offering at the service at Christ church next Monday for the relief of aged and needy clergymen.

The visitors of the Home Department of the South church Sunday school will hold their annual meeting with Mrs. F. T. Carlton, Central street, next Tuesday afternoon.

Hugh Knox, son of Secretary of State and Mrs. Knox, and a former student at Phillips Academy, was married recently to Miss Katherine McCook of New York.

William C. Coutts and daughter Miss Alice, attended the performance of the "Messiah" by the Handel and Haydn society in Symphony hall, Boston, Monday evening.

The meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Guild scheduled to take place last Friday had to be omitted, owing to the fact that a quorum of the members could not be secured.

The rector's course of lectures on the Life of Christ will be suspended next Sunday evening, and the congregation will unite in the union Christmas service in the South church.

The telephone operators of the Andover and Lawrence offices of the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company will have a Christmas tree and celebration in the Lawrence office on Saturday evening.

A committee of three from the Punchard School Athletic association has been selected to arrange for an entertainment for the purpose of increasing the funds of the association. The members of the committee are Stephen Boland, Arthur Lewis, and Harold Cates.

At the meeting of the November club held last Monday afternoon, Professor William R. Arnold of the Andover Theological Seminary gave an interesting address on "The Old Testament," giving especial attention to its literary formation and characteristics. There was a good attendance of members, and after the address afternoon tea was served.

At the meeting of Indian Ridge Rebekah lodge held on Monday, the guests of the evening were D. G. M. Mary E. Walker and suite of Haverhill. The election of officers of the lodge took place, the result being as follows: Noble Grand, Miss Mae Morrill; vice grand, Miss Sadie Hobbs; recording secretary, Miss Robena Mitchell; financial secretary, Mrs. Hattie L. Smith; treasurer, Mrs. May E. Faulkner. After the meeting, refreshments consisting of frozen pudding, ice cream, cake and coffee were served.

Florence Wade of Locke street is ill with scarlet fever.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Jeremiah O'Connor of Maple avenue last week.

Harry Lowd of Dartmouth college is at his home on Bartlet street for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. William H. Foster of Wilmington, Del., are in Andover for the holidays.

Foster Barnard, who is attending the Military Academy at Billerica, is home for the holidays.

A daughter was born on Thursday morning to Mr. and Mrs. V. D. Harrington of Salem street.

Miss Mira B. Wilson, a student at Smith college, is at her home on Locke street for the holidays.

Mercer Higgins, who has been seriously ill at her home on Chestnut street with bronchitis, is slowly recovering.

The fall term number of "The Punchard Ensign," published by the pupils of the Punchard school, was issued this week.

Principal N. C. Hamblin gave an illustrated talk to the pupils of the John Dove school in Punchard hall this afternoon.

The play, "Mrs. Oakley's Telephone," was successfully presented for the third time by the November club at the Guild last Saturday evening.

Mrs. Richard Major of Central street and her granddaughter, Miss Hazel Bickford, leave Saturday for Brooklyn, N. Y., where they will visit Mrs. Major's sisters.

Inspector Carey of the district police visited the various stores in town on Wednesday, to see that the 58-hour law relative to the employment of women and minors was being enforced.

Miss Jessie Thomson has resigned as physical instructor in the public schools and has accepted a position as superintendent of a Working Girls' Club in Fall River. Miss Thomson enters upon her new duties January 1st. The vacancy here has been filled by the election of Miss Helen J. Brown of Cambridge, a graduate of the Sargent school.

A reading meeting of the public schools was held in Punchard school on Tuesday afternoon. Readings were given by the children of the lower grades under Miss Annie S. Downes. A paper on "How to Teach Reading," was read by Miss Emily Carlton, while Miss Helen Battles presented "Primary Reading," and Miss Clara Putnam "Grammar School Reading."

It is with regret that the resignation of Miss Alice L. Prescott, teacher of the seventh and eighth grades in the Stowe school, has been accepted, the same to go into effect at once. Miss Prescott has accepted the position of principal of the grammar school at Rowley. The vacancy has been filled by the appointment of Miss C. Alice Manning of Somerville. Miss Manning has been principal of the Middleton grammar school.

Christmas Eve

The Christmas Eve service next Sunday at the South church will add not a little to the joy of the day that follows, one of the two great days of the year, and everyone is asked to come and share in it.

Will you tell your neighbors about it, and anyone who as yet hasn't heard of it, and give them a special invitation?

In addition to the choir which has been somewhat enlarged for the occasion, and the 'cellist and reader mentioned last week, Mrs. William Jackson, contralto, and A. W. Bassett, tenor of the Unitarian church in North Andover, will assist.

The program will be found on the page of Christmas music.

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PACKERS' JURY SECURED

Ten Millionaires Charged With Cornering Meat Supply

Chicago, Dec. 20.—The beef trust trial is on in earnest. After nine years of struggling and maneuvering the ten millionaire Chicago packers charged with criminal violation of the Sherman anti-trust law yesterday afternoon faced a jury of twelve men who may vote to send them to prison for cornering the meat supply of the United States and fixing its price.

The jury which will try the packers was sworn in at noon. During the morning the attorneys for the government picked their men for vacant places in the panel.

The selection of the jury was completed after ten days' work, during which 147 veniremen were examined. After the jury had been sworn in Judge Carpenter adjourned court until 2 o'clock, when United States District Atorney Wilkerson began his opening address to the jury.

TEN YEARS IN PRISON

Sentence Imposed Upon Leader of Holy Ghost and Us Society

Portland, Me., Dec. 19.—Rev. Frank W. Sandford, leader of the Holy Ghost and Us society in the town of Durham and recognized by his followers as Elijah II., was sentenced to ten years' imprisonment in the federal penitentiary at Atlanta by Judge Hale in the United States district court.

He was sentenced on the first of six counts of an indictment on which he was convicted for causing the death of six of his followers by neglect in failing to provide the necessities of life on the recently completed seventeen months' cruise along the shores of three continents for the purpose of offering up prayer for the salvation of the inhabitants. The other five counts were continued without sentence on motion of United States district attorney Whitehouse.

WOMEN HORSEWHIP AMATEUR REPORTER

Gave "Account" of Affair Which He Knew Nothing About

Pittsburg, Dec. 21.—When Charles Dowen of Burgettstown, formerly a favorite socially, stepped from a train there shortly after midnight, four young women, each armed with a horsewhip, sprang from the shadow of the railroad station and lashed him till he begged for mercy. The sensational attack resulted from an item in a Burgettstown newspaper regarding a social affair at which the four girls were present.

An affair was given at the home of Miss Anna Ritchie in honor of Miss Mildred Cole of Chicago. Dowen was not there. The next day, it is alleged, Dowen, representing himself as having been one of the guests, telephoned to a Burgettstown newspaper what he said was an account of the party. When the item was published in the society column, the guests and hostess were enraged at what the story described as the character of the affair.

INJURED MAN GETS $22,500

Constitutionality of Liability Act Upheld by Circuit Court

New York, Dec. 19.—One of the largest awards of damages under the federal employes' liability law was received by Oliver Huff, a freight engineer of Mt. Vernon, N. Y., who was injured in a collision June 6 at Fairfield, Conn.

The United States circuit court gave Huff $22,500 against the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad company.

The railroad contended the law was unconstitutional.

TWO GENERALS IMPLICATED

One Confesses Share In Plot Against Life of Madero

Mexico City, Dec. 21.—General Hurlado, arrested with General Aguilar, charged with plotting against the life of President Madero, has confessed to having been a party to the conspiracy, but throws the blame on Aguilar, who, he says, was the moving spirit.

Leonardo and MacRino Chagolla, father and son, also confessed. Leonardo was jefe politico of Chicontepec, Vera Cruz, for fifteen years.

IN BOSTON MARKETS

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Cheese—York state, 16@17c; Vermont, 15@15½c.

Eggs—Choice hennery, 44@46c; eastern extras, 38@41c; western, 35@40c; storage, 23@25c.

Potatoes—Eastern, $1.90@2 bg; Jersey, $1.50@1.65 bskt.

Apples—Baldwins, fancy, $2.50@3; No. 1, $2@2.50; Pippins, $1.50@2; Greenings, $2@2.50; Snows, $2@3.

Cranberries—Late varieties, $8@9.50 bbl.

Poultry—Northern turkeys, 24@26c; native broilers, 20@22c; roasting chickens, 18@20c; western fowl, large, 14@15c; medium, 11@12c; live fowl, 13@14c; chickens, 12@13c.

SPORTS OF THE WEEK

Guild Won Three

The Smith & Dove bowling team was defeated by the Andover Guild in an interesting game on the Guild alleys on Monday evening, three points to four. Black and Haddon excelled for the winners, and Lamont and Jarvis for the losers.

The score:

ANDOVER GUILD				
Broderick	87	85	77	249
Hastings	74	74	84	232
Haddon	100	87	76	263
Black	78	94	96	268
Sparks	83	90	78	251
Totals	422	430	411	1263
SMITH & DOVE				
Lawson	80	75	89	244
Lamont	95	79	90	264
Guthrie	82	79	87	248
Sellars	83	80	72	235
Jarvis	73	86	98	257
Totals	413	399	436	1248

Smith & Dove Won

The Smith & Dove mills bowling team defeated the Sorters on the Hillside alleys this week, 4 to 0. Coutts was high roller.

The summary:

SMITH & DOVE				
Lawson	79	81	79	239
Coutts	92	82	93	267
Lamont	83	82	91	256
Guthrie	75	90	93	258
Sellars	79	84	87	250
Totals	408	419	443	1270
SORTERS				
McDermitt	78	75	75	228
Haddon	74	88	78	240
McMeekin	65	80	76	221
Auchterlonie	55	69	76	200
Matthews	87	77	88	252
Totals	359	389	393	1141

Ross's Team Wins

A big gain in the Andover duck pin league standing was made on Tuesday evening by Ross's team, when it defeated Donovan's five by all four points. The first string was won by three pins, the second by 51, and the third by four pins, giving the victors a lead of 58 pins on total.

Smith and Rogers bowled well for the victors, while Donovan and Wilkie were the high men for the losers.

ROSS'S TEAM				
Matthews	84	83	77	244
Rogers	92	83	89	264
Russell	78	80	87	245
Smith	78	103	87	268
Ross	90	78	78	246
Totals	422	427	418	1267
DONOVAN'S TEAM				
Stack	85	73	82	240
Mears	84	68	74	226
Lynch	81	81	81	42
Wilkie	87	75	82	244
Donovan	82	79	95	256
Totals	419	376	414	1209

Team A Wins

Team A of the Andover club defeated Team B on the Essex Street alleys on Tuesday evening. On the first string the two teams were tied, but the point was won by Team A, as they secured the second string by fifteen points. The third string was won by a margin of four pins by A, giving them the game by a margin of 10 on the pinfall.

The summary:

TEAM A				
Warden	90	88	98	276
Weeks	94	—	—	94
Whitten	—	81	70	151
King	93	73	94	260
Bodwell	61	77	83	221
Roggemann	88	101	94	283
Totals	426	420	439	1285
TEAM B				
Gibbons	98	79	105	282
Hilton	96	76	94	266
Sherman	73	75	69	217
Donald	82	78	78	238
Ralph	77	97	89	263
Totals	426	405	435	1266

Team C Wins Four Points

In the Andover club league game last night on the Essex Street alleys, Team C won all four points from Team D, in a one-sided match. The first string was won by 28 pins, the second by 24 pins, the third by 20 pins and the total by 81 pins. Chadwick had the highest string, with 102, and Flanders won the totals with 276. The summary:

TEAM C				
Flanders	94	91	91	276
Coutts	81	89	82	252
Chadwick	102	65	87	254
Dane	90	86	69	245
Ryley	79	77	74	230
Totals	446	408	403	1250
TEAM D				
Clark	80	73	84	237
Riddoch	82	73	76	231
Angus	80	71	68	219
Lincoln	98	93	75	266
Cole	78	74	71	223
Totals	418	384	374	1172

Soccer Football Muddle

The settlement of the league championship for the season of 1912 has landed the league officials in a bad mess. Three weeks ago Methuen and Manchester United played a game resulting in the defeat of the latter, 2 goals to 1. Methuen had in its lineup a player who was not registered, and Manchester United protested the game. The penalty for the offending club is the loss of the game, provided they won, and a further penalty of the loss of two points four points in all. The league went further, and under a suspension of the by-laws, ordered the game replayed. It was played last Saturday in a drenching rainstorm, and against nine Methuen players Manchester United scored nine goals. This victory tied the Manchester team with Lawrence, and also created a great disturbance in soccer circles.

The president of the league, Wm. Gordon of the Andover United was not present at the meeting and it is believed by his friends that he would have opposed the action of the officials. Meanwhile the league officials are reported to have changed their minds on the matter of the replay and would award the championship to Lawrence. A meeting will probably be held soon to settle the matter. Andover finished fourth in the competition, and next week a review of their work will be printed.

P. A. Hockey Schedule

An excellent hockey schedule has been arranged for this season at Phillips Academy. Eleven games will be played; among the teams the local school will meet will be Yale, Harvard and Dartmouth Freshmen. All but four games will be played in Andover.

The schedule is as follows:

Jan. 13. Stone School.
Jan. 17. Lowell Textile School.
Jan. 20. Rindge Technical School.
Jan. 24. Somerville High School.
Jan. 27. Milton Academy at Milton.
Jan. 31. Open.
Feb. 3. Yale Freshmen.
Feb. 7. Harvard Freshmen at Stadium.
Feb. 10. Inter-Colonial Club (2).
Feb. 14. Dartmouth Freshmen.
Feb. 17. Worcester Academy.
Feb. 21. St. Mark's at Southboro.

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By Stephen Chalmers

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Not even in disguise.
But whisper! (This is magic!)
They did not all depart,
For here's a fairy "sticker"
To match a broken heart.



Don't ask the why or wherefore,
Or who they are who weep,
The fairies hear the sad things
While happy people sleep.
Don't buy because you're frightened
Your own cheer may depart.
The widow's mite was mighty
Through goodness in her heart.

So when you're Christmas-happy,
Remember, as you should,
Good will is more than being
Just willing to be good.
So kiss the seal and stick it
(Or else the charm will fail)—
The finger-print of fairies
On everything you mail!

The Goldsmith Speaking

The annual Goldsmith prize speaking contest took place last Friday evening in Punchard hall before a large audience of relatives and friends of the contestants and the school. The speakers were as usual eight in number, a boy and a girl representing each of the four classes. The program which was carried out was an excellent one, including as it did several well-known selections especially adapted for a speaking.

The two prize-winners were Miss Helen Katherine Hardy, '12, who spoke "The Rhyme of the Duchess May" by Mrs. Browning, and Carl Libby Reed, '13, whose selection was "Forefathers' Day," by Long.

The work done by the speakers was highly commendable in every case as shown by the applause accorded to each of the contestants. Chorus work by the school also added to the interest of the evening.

The judges of the contest were Messrs. Bernard M. Allen, George W. Hinman and Guy W. Eaton of the Phillips Academy faculty. The prizes were awarded by Mr. Allen.

The detailed program follows:

School Chorus, Carnival Chorus *Jakobowski*
The Battle of Ivry *Macaulay*
Mary Georgianna Kierstead, '14
The Dawn of World Peace *Taft*
Arthur Rand Lewis, '14
The Rhyme of the Duchess May *Mrs. Browning*
Helen Katharine Hardy, '12
McKinley's Last Speech
Frank Ralton Petty, '12
Chorus, The Vikings and the Northwind *Tours*
"Welcome, Sweet Day of Rest" *Hall*
Georgianna Lovejoy, '14
The Victor of Marengo *Anon*
Howard Nelson Conkey, '15
"Gentlemen, the King" *Barr*
Elizabeth Hamblin, '13
Forefather's Day *Long*
Carl Libby Reed, '13
Chorus, Forget-Me-Not *Giese*

The R. C. O. A. Dance

A very enjoyable dancing party was held by the R. C. O. A. last Friday evening in A. O. U. W. hall. About fifty couples were in attendance. Music was furnished by three pieces of Pratt's orchestra. Refreshments were served at intermission. The committee in charge of the dance consisted of Walter Thompson, Fred Cheever and Bartol Rooth.

Among those present were: Misses Marten Eastman, Nellie Kyle, Beatrice Temple, Esther Claflin, Ruth Temple, Mildred Young, Cynthia Flint, Helen Bailey, Florence Mears, Marie McQuinn, Margaret Rogers, Alice Yates, Helen Brown, Elizabeth Gordon, Bertha Judge, Alice Bagley, Marion Marshall, Marion Saunders, Edith Hunter, Maud Bennett, Mrs. Charles Burtt, Mrs. Harry Chadwick, Mrs. Dennis, Grace Cheever.

Messrs. George Collins, George Cheyne, Francis Maroney, Alexander Morrison, Harry Sellars, Roy Hardy, Philip Hardy, Edmund Hammond, Douglas Lindsay, Fred Cheever, Arthur Gray, Roland Lindsay, Walter Thompson, Joseph Daley, Chester Whitten, Harold Abbott, William Sellars, Roy Rhodes, Paul Ward, John Sweeney, Richard Abbott, James Fairweather, Roderick Cannon, Bartol Rooth, George Burridge.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PROBATE COURT

ESSEX, ss.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, and all other persons interested in the estate of Elizabeth M. Eames late of Andover, in said County, deceased.

WHEREAS, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for probate, by Harry M. Eames who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to him, the executor therein named, without giving a surety on his official bond:

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Lawrence in said County of Essex, on the twelfth day of February A.D. 1912, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Andover Townsman a newspaper published in Andover the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing, postpaid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, Rollin E. Harmon, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this eighteenth day of December in the year one thousand nine hundred and eleven.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

ESSEX, ss.

PROBATE COURT

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of Charles C. Clough late of Andover in said County, deceased, intestate.

WHEREAS, a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to Alfred E. Stearns of Andover in the County of Essex without giving a surety on his bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Salem in said County of Essex, on the first day of January A.D. 1912, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And the petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Andover Townsman a newspaper published in Andover the last publication to be one day at least before said Court.

Witness, Rollin E. Harmon, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this ninth day of December in the year one thousand nine hundred and eleven.

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PRESIDENT HAS SOLID BACKING

Senate Unanimously Agrees to Notification to Russia

ABROGATES TREATY OF 1832

All-Day Debate Over Russian Discrimination Against Jews of America Followed by Adoption of Lodge Resolution, Which Omits Declaration That Treaty Has Been Violated —Closely Follows Sulzer Resolution

Washington, Dec. 20.—Following speeches containing the most bitter condemnation of Russia for its ignoring the rights of American citizens of Jewish faith, though they present American passports, the senate last night formally ratified President Taft's notification to Russia of the termination of the treaty of 1832. The vote was unanimous.

The Lodge joint resolution, reported by the foreign relations committee as a substitute for the Sulzer resolution that passed the house 300 to 1, was adopted after an all-day debate. The house today is expected to agree to the senate measure.

The senate measure was adopted at 7:19 p. m. It was introduced for the committee by Lodge as the measure couched in the language most satisfactory to the Washington administration, which sought to avoid giving offense to the St. Petersburg government.

The final action came after two substitutes had been voted down. It was the climax of a notable proceeding in the chamber which guards jealousy its traditional powers to make and break treaties.

All through the symposium of views, to which many senators contributed throughout the day, however, there were citations of historical instances of treaty terminations by executive act. The senate was held in session until a late hour, on the urgent plea of Lodge that, to secure action before the Christmas holiday recess Thursday, it was necessary that the senate should act at once.

Every senator who spoke voiced his advocacy of congressional action to meet the Russian discrimination. They were unanimous for the termination of the treaty, but showed a wide divergency of views as to the manner in which that end should be accomplished.

The Lodge resolution, dopted by the senate, practically follows the form of the protested Sulzer resolution, passed by the house, but eliminates references considered objectionable to the Rusisan government.

...nese references in the Sulzer resolution declared in plain terms that Russia had repeatedly violated the commercial treaty of 1832, thereby rendering it invalid and useless.

Russia took offense at the declaration that it had violated its "pact," and in offering his resolution to the senate, Lodge couched it in formal, diplomatic language, enlarged on changed conditions in both countries which render the treaty obsolete, and omitted all reference to violations by either party to the contract. This resolution folowed closely the text of the formal notice sent by President Taft to the Russian foreign office.

Representative Sulzer previously had stated he had no objection to the elimination of the objectionable portions of his resolution.

The provisions of the treaty of 1832, over which the contest has arisen, include a clause that inhabitants of either country "shall be at liberty to sojourn and reside in all parts whatsoever of said territories, in order to attend to their affairs, and shall enjoy the same security and protection as natives of the country wherein they reside, on condition of their submitting to the laws and ordinances there prevailing."

With the senate's action the Russian situation has assumed a quieter phase so far as the executive branch of the government is concerned.

Press dispatches from St. Petersburg indicate that an answer has been handed to Ambassador Guild, and the contents of the Russian note, as outlined in the dispatches, are perhaps somewhat disappointing in that they convey no response to the direct statement by Secretary Knox that America stands ready to open negotiations immediately for a new treaty.

House Passes Senate Resolution

Washington, Dec. 21.—The final act in the procedure of the United States to abrogate the treaty of 1832 with Russia was taken when the house of representatives, following the lead of the senate, upheld the initiative taken by President Taft in the matter and unanimously passed the senate resolution declaring the convention void.

Steps will now be taken through diplomatic channels to approach Russia in an endeavor to lay the foundation for the enactment of a new treaty which shall be responsive to all modern demands and under which Jewish citizens of the United States shall be accorded the same passport privileges by Russia as all other Americans enjoy.

KILLED CHICKEN THIEF

Farmer Who Set Spring Gun For Marauders Is Fined $300

Dedham, Mass., Dec. 21.—Henry A Sharp of Norfolk pleaded guilty to the charge of manslaughter in the Norfolk county superior court, and was fined $300, which he paid.

The charge against Sharp was the killing of Nicola B'Orsi, an Italian chicken thief, on Oct. 7, by means of a spring gun set in a chicken house.

Sharp is an extensive poultry farmer. For some weeks previous to the setting of the gun he had missed a large number of fowl each week. He suspected the Italian laborers, who lived in a nearby settlement, and published a warning that he was going to set a spring gun in each of his hen houses. The first night that the gun was set B'Orsi attempted to enter one of the houses and was shot. He died a few hours later at a hospital.

Sharp filed a plea of guilty on the advice of the district attorney, who asked Judge Quinn to show all possible clemency toward the defendant.

"I am sorry that I must fine you at all," said Quinn.

CONTROLS THE OUTPUT

Charge of Government In Suit Against Watch Case Company

Philadelphia, Dec. 21.—The federal government filed in the United States circuit court a suit against the Keystone Watch Case company, a Pennsylvania corporation, declaring it an unlawful combination in violation of the Sherman anti-trust act, and asking that it be restrained from carrying on an alleged monopoly in the manufacture and sale of watch cases.

The government declares that the company now "manufactures and sells 80 percent of all watch cases manufactured and sold in the United States" and that it is the "intent and purpose of the defendant that the company shall monopolize the remainder of the trade and commerce."

MORSE MUST STAY IN FEDERAL HOSPITAL

Condition Not Serious Enough to Warrant a Parole

Washington, Dec. 20.—President Taft and Attorney General Wickersham say that for the present no further action will be taken by the government in the case of Charles W. Morse. Morse is not in a critical condition and will remain in the army hospital at Fort McPherson, near Atlanta, where he was removed from the Atlanta penitentiary.

No aplication for a commutation of sentence will be considered by the president or Wickersham unless the condition of Morse grows materially worse. A parole has never been under consideration. Officials point out that the department of justice has been most lenient in its handling of Morse since it became known that he was very ill.

JAIL DELIVERY CHECKED

Prison Guard In Springfield Institution Is Wounded

Springfield, Mass., Dec. 21.—In checking an attempt at what is believed to have been intended for a wholesale jail delivery, Jeremiah Shea, a guard at the Hampden county jail in this city, was shot in the leg.

Two men with whom Shea had exchanged shots escaped without leaving a clue to their identity.

Among the prisoners confined in the jail are Bertram G. Spencer, recently convicted of murder in the first degree for the killing of Miss Martha B. Blackstone, and three other men who are charged with murder.

CITY WILL FOOT THEM

Bills of the Doctors Who Attended Gaynor Amount to $19,600

New York, Dec. 20.—The board of aldermen voted unanimously to pay doctors' bills aggregating $19,600 for services to Mayor Gaynor after he was shot in Hoboken in August, 1910.

Seven physicians had sent in their bills, the highest being that of Dr. Arlitz of Hoboken, $7500, and the lowest that of Dr. Peck of this city, $350. In addition, there is one bill of $5500, two of $5000, one of $2000, and one of $750.

Originally, they totalled $26,100, but the doctors are said to have agreed to reductions.

Five Burglars Plead Guilty

Concord, N. H., Dec. 20.—Sentences of five years each in the federal penitentiary at Atlanta were imposed in the United States district court here upon five postoffice burglars, all of whom had pleaded guilty. Each was also fined $1000, but the fines were suspended.

Aged Emperor Much Better

Vienna, Dec. 20.—Emperor Francis Joseph is reported greatly improved. He is able to transact much business of state which had been accumulating.

Fire Destroys Nine Locomotives

Houlton, Me., Dec. 21.—Nine locomotives were destroyed in a fire which burned the roundhouse of the Bangor and Aroostook railroad here.

FACES DEATH WITH SMILES

Old Age Proves Too Much For John Bigelow

WAS AUTHOR AND DIPLOMAT

Career Always of Unfailing Service to His Country and World In General —Even at Ninety-Four Years of Age Had Displayed Great Vitality and Mental Keenness and Participated In Public Functions

New York, Dec. 20.—The funeral of John Bigelow, the venerable diplomat and author, who died at his home here, will be held at St. George's Episcopal church, this city, and the body will be taken for burial to Highland Falls, where Bigelow will lie beside his wife, who died nearly thirty years ago.

On Saturday Bigelow suffered a return of an ailment incident to advanced age, which laid him low last June at his summer home in Highland Falls. For more than two days he suffered intense pain, but eight or ten hours before death came a partial paralysis of the senses and for several hours he lay smiling at those about him, but unable to speak.

At the bedside were two of his four children, Major Bigelow and Miss Gacce Bigelow, and his granddaughter, Miss Charlotte Harding.

Although 94, Bigelow had displayed almost to the day of his death amazing vitality and mental keenness. He had kept thoroughly abreast of current events and recently taken part in many public functions.

John Bigelow, "America's grand old man," was born in Malden, N. Y., on Nov. 25, 1817. Every year of his life was filled with action. When asked at one time what he considered his favorite word, he replied: "Work."

A conspicuous figure in the anti-slavery contest, a convincing journalist, minister to France throughout the troublous times of the Civil war, friend and biographer of Tilden, president of the board of libraries, litterateur, man of the world; his career was one always of unfailing service to his country and the world in general.

Mr. Bigelow was graduated from Union college in 1835, and was admitted to the bar in 1839. He became inspector of Sing Sing prison, 1845-46, and in 1849 he obtained an interest in the New York Evening Post, associating himself in his editorial duties with William Cullen Bryant. He relinquished his editorial work in 1861 to become United States consul at Paris, stepping from that position in 1864 to become monoster to France, as which he continued until 1867.

Returning to New York he again interested himself in politics and in 1875 became chairman of Governor Tilden's canal investigation commission, becoming secretary of state of New York the same year and continuing for two years.

Mr. Bigelow was executor and trustee of the late Samuel J. Tilden, president of the board of trustees of the New York public library, trustee of the Metropolitan museum of art, president of the Tilden trust, honorary member of the Massachusetts Historical society and member of the American academy of arts and letters.

One of the first to be notified of Bigelow's death was Andrew Carnegie, whose birthday, Nov. 25, coincided with that of the aged diplomat. The two were close friends.

TRUST MEAT IS BARRED

Great Britain Will Not Accept It For Army or Navy

London, Dec. 17.—The British government has decided to exclude all the American meat packers against whom prosecutions have been instituted in the United States from tendering for contracts for the supply of meats to the British army and navy, pending the settlement of the suit.

The decision of the government is due to the opposition of labor and advanced Radical members of parliament to the American trusts. The contracts given out by the war office which had hitherto been secured by American firms are now expected to go to Argentina meat packers.

IS HEIRESS TO $100,000

Stenographer to Whom Broker Left Large Estate Is Missing

Mineola, L. I., Dec. 20.—Six months' search has failed to discover Miss Fannie D. Jackson, former stenographer of the late Charles H. White, a New York broker, who named her in his will as heir to nearly all his estate, valued at $100,000.

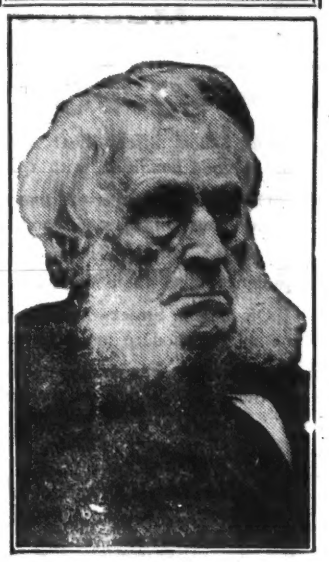
She has been missing since the will was filed, and the surrogate yesterday afternoon issued a general appeal for information regarding her whereabouts. White died at Port Washington, L. I., last December.

Sudden Death of Actress

New York, Dec. 20.—Rosabelle Morrison, in private life Mrs. Mitchell Lewis, a well known actress, fainted while playing in a vaudeville sketch and died in a short time.

JOHN BIGELOW

His Long Life Was Filled With Activity



THREE CITY ELECTIONS

Big License Vote In North Adams, Lawrence and Lowell

Boston, Dec. 20.—Three more Massachusetts cities held their annual elections yesterday—North Adams, Lawrence and Lowell. The latter two voted for the first time under new charters, providing for a commission form of government.

North Adams had a three-cornered fight for mayor with Mayor Charles L. Frink, Republican, as the successful candidate. Lawence elected Michael A. Scanlon mayor, and Lowell elected James E. O'Donnell.

All three cities gave a good majority in favor of license. Lawrence and Lowell have been strongly entrenched in the "wet" column for years, but North Adams last year came within seven votes of going "dry."

PRODUCTION DROPS, BUT VALUES RISE

Government's Final Estimate of Farm Crops For 1911

Washington, Dec. 19.—With decreases in the production of the eleven important farm crops, not including cotton, the total value of these crops this year reached the total of $3,769,562,000, according to the final estimate announced by the department of agriculture. This is an increase of almost $190,000,000 over their value last year.

The department's final estimate of production differs considerably from its preliminary estimate made in November because of a revision of the acreage based upon the census bureau's figures, which became available since that time.

AUTO TRUCK KILLED BOYS

Chauffeur Held For Grand Jury on Charge of Manslaughter

Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 21.—George J. Chabot, a chauffeur, charged with manslaughter, was held for the grand jury by Judge Almy. Chabot waived examination and was held in $2500.

It was charged that on the night of Nov. 29 Chabot, while driving a motor truck, knocked down and killed John and Harry Rouff, aged respectively 13 and 6 years. They were dragging a small wagon loaded with wood through the street toward their home. Chabot did not have his acetylene lamps lighted.

VACCINATION OF STUDENTS

Ordered at Brown University to Prevent Epidemic of Smallpox

Providence, Dec. 19.—Fearing a possible outbreak of smallpox at Brown university, Presidence Faunce has told the students that he wants them all to be vaccinated before they return from the Christmas vacation.

A physician will be at Brown union from now until Thursday, when the vacation begins, to inoculate the students. Several cases of the disease have developed in this city recently, following an epidemic in the Pawtuxet valley, and one of the quarantined houses is near the university.

Kansas Has Richest Citizens

Topeka, Dec. 19.—Kansas has the largest per capita wealth, based upon the assessed valuation, of any state in the union, according to figures computed here by State Treasurer Tully. The per capita assessment valuation is $1,652.30.

Yankees Emigrating to Canada

Ottawa, Dec. 20.—Immigrants to the number of 281,898 arrived in Canada during the first eight months of the current fiscal year. Of this number 101,692 were from the United States.

Miller's Estate Worth $2,000,000

Pittsburg, Dec. 21.—The will of Thomas N. Miller, who was Andrew Carnegie's first business partner, disposes of an estate of $2,000,000.

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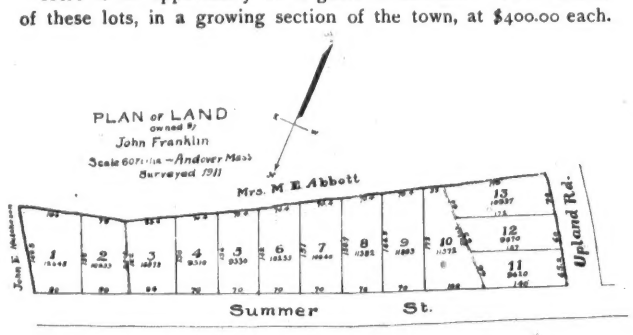
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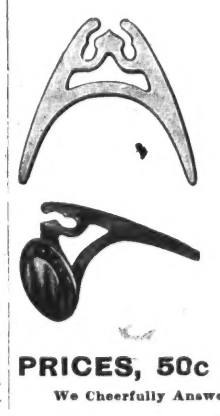


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Fine Americanism

That was a splendid statement of President Wood of the American Woolen Company, who was one of those who wrote for the Boston Globe symposium last Sunday. Nothing could ring truer to the right idea of lofty Americanism than the following, quoted from his contribution:

"One lesson which both capital and labor may well draw from the McNamara case is that the machinery of United States law for the detection and punishment of such grave crimes against life and property as are alleged to have been committed in successive attacks on manufacturing plants in various parts of the United States is still too uncertain and ineffective. It is a startling thing that such crimes should have gone on so long, and should have been revealed at last not by regular officers of the law, but chiefly through the efforts of a very able private detective agency.

"Another lesson of the McNamara case is that the false doctrine that there is irreconcilable antagonism between capital and labor has been allowed to gain a dangerous headway in this country. The McNamaras could have had no sympathy and support if some of their fellow-workers had not been taught to regard their employers as their natural enemies. This un-American delusion is held, I am sure, only by a very small part of our people. It ought to be rejected by all.

"The true relation of employers and employes in every legitimate industry is one of frank independence. Each has a duty to treat the other with honesty and fairness, in the spirit of the Golden Rule. If either fails, this does not justify the other in forgetting his solemn obligation. The confession and fate of the McNamaras may well help to awaken both capital and labor to a deeper sense of what their mutual obligation really means."

A Christmas for Adults

There have been many different phases to the "shop early" cry, in connection with the Christmas business for this year, but one of the most interesting suggestions growing out of this admonition has been made by a Transcript correspondent, who follows up the request to "shop early," with one to "keep the children out of the stores."

Sure! Don't let Young America have any more Fourth of July. Tie his hands behind him when he goes out for Memorial Day parade, and as for letting him see the least bit of the illumination, decoration, and Santa Claus-ization of Christmas, how absurd! What is Christmas for anyway, if it isn't for the old grown-ups who need to see the pictures of Santa Claus at least once a year in order to have any appreciation of generosity, or the spirit of giving?

But probably this correspondent wouldn't have any Santa Claus. It is a thousand to one bet that he wouldn't have any children, and it is almost a two thousand to one bet that he is an old bach anyway. Here is an opportunity for some distinguished law-maker to really score, by seeing that the children are not only kept from the stores, but that Santa Claus is abolished. Christmas decorations are done away with, and everybody shops early, buying real fur overcoats, Back Bay residences, and trips to Europe, all as gifts to be made—to themselves.

Lucky Gloucester—Unlucky Gardner

Oh dear me, what has the Hon. Augustus Peabody Gardner done now? Isn't it awful that another well-laid plan of the distinguished Congressman from the Sixth District should go astray? Could anything be sadder than to see what has happened after the plans had been laid so that a long-time pledge could be fulfilled, resulting in the situation as it is now, in connection with the Gloucester Port Collectorship?

For ten years poor Ralph Dennen has served as chairman of the City Committee of Gloucester, and as a loyal tool of the Gloucester Congressman. Nothing that has been asked of him has been denied, even foregoing some of the time necessary to attend to his arduous duties as clerk in the office of the street railway down there, that he might become a "power" in Gloucester politics. Of course there may have been a few months when some sort of a hope of reward hasn't stirred in his breast, but probably there hasn't been a year go by when there hasn't been a promise of reward made by either the Congressman or his man "Tony," finally leading to a gift of the Gloucester Collectorship. But alas, when all the plans were laid to keep the promise, and reward the faithful, the poor, long-suffering Gloucester public asserted itself and insisted that the present Collector, a dignified, courteous and able gentleman, couldn't be entirely ignored, and with such emphasis was this put before the Congressman that he felt obliged to let the public settle it, still confident that a "handshaker" whom he had trained could easily defeat, on a popular vote, the cold and austere present incumbent.

Again, alas and alack! when the votes were counted, the "handshaker" was sadly left. The cold and austere gentleman had licked him nearly two to one, and in holy horror (never having been accustomed to anything that was in the least irregular in political matters) the Congressman insisted that neither should be preferred, because bogus ballots were cast, and an unknown should have the place.

Lucky Gloucester! She will get a first rate collector if Walter F. Osborne is appointed and confirmed. She will get a little better knowledge of Mr. Gardner because of the incident. She will ultimately learn just how many things of this sort have been done in the past few years, and all in all, she is to be congratulated. But say, why wasn't the job given to "my man Tony?"

Editorial Cinders

A Minimum Wage Commission! What next? Why have a minimum either for wages or labor? Why not everybody do as he pleases, only insisting that in some way not yet entirely worked out, he may be fed and clothed and entertained without any labor or cost? Of course, it would seem at first thought as if somebody would be obliged to do a little work in bringing about this desirable situation, but there ought to be enough ingenuity in the Yankee to even solve this problem. While they are about it, this minimum wage commission should also settle the minimum food problem, the minimum clothing problem, the minimum entertainment problem, the minimum love and hatred problem, the minimum friendships that a man or a woman may have, the minimum cups of coffee that one may drink in the morning, the minimum cups of tea that one may enjoy at night, the minimum children that a family may have, the minimum newspapers and publications that a man may read. By all means let us have more "minimums" established by law, and when it is done—nobody will get the maximum.

One of our excellent contemporaries, the Wellesley Townsman, has just issued an interesting anniversary number, marking five years of newspaper service for the town of Wellesley. We congratulate our namesake upon its success, a success that after all cannot be measured by the pages of advertising or the excellent typographical work that has been given as material evidence in the anniversary number. Its biggest success has been in the real untold work for the community which it has served. The greatest work of our contemporary has been that of a faithful chronicler of the news, a leader of the public thought, and in representing public spirit and arousing public spirit, and without knowing a thing about the peculiar relations that may exist between the Townsman and the town of Wellesley, we are confident that the town has grown in many good ways because of this sort of service rendered to it by one of its most efficient public servants, its local newspaper.

The Boston newspaper, which persistently refers to the "President elect" of the Senate and the "Speaker-elect" of the House, would better take a few lessons in the proprieties, and leave just a little in the settlement of those officers to the members of the incoming Legislature. As a matter of fact, neither is yet "elect" and won't be until several important formalities are carried out.

Obituary

MALCOLM H. TUCKER

Malcolm H. Tucker, a well-known resident of the Holt district, passed away at the family home on Wednesday evening, after a week's illness with pneumonia. His death came very unexpectedly to his many friends, as few were aware of his illness. He was thirty years of age.

The deceased has always made his home in Andover, and was well liked by all who knew him. He was a member of the local camp of Sons of Veterans. He is survived by his father William H. Tucker, a veteran of the Civil war, who less than a month ago was removed to the Soldiers' Home at Chelsea, suffering from the effects of a stroke of paralysis; also by a brother, Robert, and a sister, Eva. The mother died some years ago.

Funeral services will be held at the house on Saturday afternoon at two o'clock. Interment will be in the South cemetery.

A Correction

The play given by the Barn-Stormers last week Tuesday was the second play of the first season, not the first play of the second season. The first season does not end until next May, and members of the association have yet one more play to look forward to before they are called upon for more money and more interest.

We think it may increase their interest to know that a member of the Harvard Dramatic club (for which this play was written) came here to see its presentation last week Tuesday, and was enthusiastic in his praise of the performance both in acting and in management. He said the Harvard club found the last act so difficult to stage that they almost gave it up, and he thought the arrangement here was better than that at Harvard.

This same play is to be given at Smith college this winter, as its clear deliniation of character and its literary quality have given it a high place in dramatic circles. So we may well be proud of the Barn-Stormers' taste in selecting it for their second performance.

A FRIEND

The Burns Concert

The program has been announced for the annual Burns concert and ball to be held under the auspices of Clan Johnston, No. 185, in the town hall on Friday evening, January 19. The interest of the program and the excellence of the artists who have been secured for the evening, are simply additional testimony to the fact that these annual concerts are among the most enjoyable events of like nature which take place in Andover. Clan Johnston makes every effort to secure the best of talent and to present a program of high order.

The entertainers for the evening will be William Fullerton, tenor; Miss Esther Hood, soprano; W. L. Cockburn, bass, and Miss Adelaide Griggs, contralto. The fact that Miss Griggs is to sing is alone sufficient to make the program of interest, as she never fails to please wherever she appears.

The full program will be as follows:

FIRST PART

Overture, Scottish Melodies — Columbian Orchestra
Welcome Address — Chief Arthur G. Innes
Quartet, There Was a Lad Was Born in Kyle — Messrs. Fullerton and Cockburn, Misses Hood and Griggs
Song, Bonnie Wee Thing — William Fullerton
Song, Jock o' Hazeldean — Miss Adelaide Griggs
Dance, Highland Fling — Sutcliffe Sisters
Song, The Star o' Robbie Burns — Miss Esther Hood
Song, Scots Wha Hae — W. L. Cockburn

SECOND PART

Quartet, Duncan Gray — Misses Hood and Griggs, Messrs. Fullerton and Cockburn
Song, Wi' a Hunder' Pipers — Miss Hood
Dance, Sailors' Hornpipe — Sutcliffe Sisters
Song, Caller Herrin' — Miss Griggs
Song, The Lea Rig — Mr. Fullerton
Auld Lang Syne

Following the concert, dancing will be enjoyed, with music by the Columbian orchestra.

Tickets are 75 cents, 50 cents and 25 cents.

Was Presented with Purse

Miss Annie McEwan of Arbroath, Scotland, was a passenger on the steamer Numidian of the Allan line, which arrived in Boston last Saturday after a tempestuous voyage of two weeks. Miss McEwan will make her home with her brother, William McEwan of Frye Village. Miss McEwan was an active temperance worker in her native town, and the Arbroath Herald has the following in a recent issue:

"Miss Annie M'Ewan, who left Arbroath this afternoon for Andover, U. S. A., was last night, at a meeting of the St. Thomas Lodge, I. O. G. T.—Bro. W. W. Smith, C. T., presiding—presented with a purse and sovereigns as a token of esteem and respect and an expression of goodwill towards her in her new sphere of life, and as a slight recognition of valuable services to the cause of Good Templary. The gift was handed over by Bro. George Keith, P. D. C. T. Miss M'Ewan has contributed greatly to the success of St. Thomas Lodge and the other Good Templar Lodges in Arbroath by her talent as a vocalist. She has been an active worker in her own lodge, St. Thomas, and in the District Lodge, of which she is at present deputy marshal. The Chairman replied on behalf of Miss M'Ewan."

Miss McEwan was also presented with gifts from the choir of Good Templars of which she was a member, and from the fellow-workers where she was employed.

Former Andover Woman Dies

News was received here this week of the death of a former resident of Andover, Mrs. D. S. Foster (nee Agnes Byers) of Beloit. The deceased was a sister of the late John Byers of this town, and also of Joseph Byers of Newtonville, well known by many of the older residents here.

Born in Brechin, Scotland, in 1836, she came with her parents to America and to Andover at the age of four months. Here Miss Byers grew to young womanhood, and was educated in Abbot Academy. In March, 1858, she was married to David S. Foster. After residing for a short time in Boston, Mr. and Mrs. Foster went to Beloit where they have since made their home. Mr. Foster died about nine years ago.

Mrs. Foster is survived by four sons, John A., Frank S., Joseph B., and D. Humphrey Foster, and by one brother, Joseph Byers of Newtonville.

Unclaimed Letters

Abbott, John S.
Beifuss, M. W.
Dakin, Mrs. Arthur H.
Donovan, Mary
Gale, David T.
Jameson, Howard
Smith, James W.
Sweeney, Arthur
Ward, Miss C. E.
Arnold, Charles W.
Champlin, G.
Fowler, Edwin
Dixon, Miss E. S.
Guillemette, W. H
Starling, Geo. L.
Sanborn, Mrs. Jos.
Thomas, Mrs. L. B.
Woddell, Jas. E.
Young, Edward G.

NEW RUNNING TIME

The New 54-Hour Law and Its Effect on Andover Business

The new 54-hour law relative to the employment of women and minors in manufacturing concerns, which goes into effect January first, is of considerable interest to Andover, inasmuch as it will affect the running time of the local manufacturing plants.

The Tyer Rubber Company has decided to maintain the same hours as heretofore daily, except Saturday, when closing time will be at eleven o'clock. The schedule of hours will thus be as follows:

Thursdayi h It	Open	Close	Open	Close
Mon.	7	12	1	6
Tues.	7	12	1	6
Wed.	7	12	1	6
Thurs.	7	12	1	6
Fri.	7	12	1	6
Sat.	7	11	—	—

As yet no announcement of changes has been made by the other corporations here.

Acts of 1909, Chapter 514, Section 48 (as amended by Acts of 1911, Chapter 484, which amendment takes effect January 1, 1912) and Section 49.

Relative to the hours of employment of women and minors in manufacturing and mechanical establishments.

Section 48. No child under eighteen years of age and no woman shall be employed in laboring in a manufacturing or mechanical establishment more than ten hours in any one day, except as hereinafter provided in this section, unless a different apportionment of the hours of labor is made for the sole purpose of making a shorter day's work for one day of the week; and in no case shall the hours of labor exceed fifty-four in a week, except that in any such establishment where the employment is by seasons, the number of such hours in any week may exceed fifty-four, but not fifty-eight, provided that the total number of such hours in any year shall not exceed an average of fifty-four hours a week for the whole year, excluding Sundays and holidays. Every employer shall post in a conspicuous place in every room in which such persons are employed a printed notice stating the number of hours' work required of them on each day of the week, the hours of commencing and stopping work, and the hours when the time allowed for meals begins and ends or, in the case of establishments exempted from the provisions of sections thirty-six and thirty-seven, the time, if any, allowed for meals. The printed forms of such notices shall be provided by the chief of the district police, after approval by the attorney-general. The employment of such person at any time other than as stated in said printed notice shall be deemed a violation of the provisions of this section unless it appears that such employment was to make up time lost on a previous day of the same week in consequence of the stopping of machinery upon which he was employed or dependent for employment; but no stopping of

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Cord Ruching	25c	Napkins,	$1.60 to $4.50

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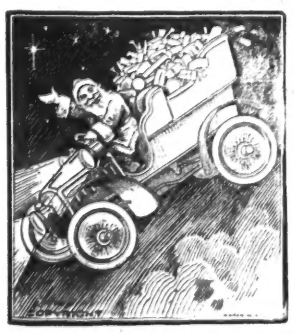
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Christmas will be doubly enjoyable this year as its falling upon Monday makes it possible for more extended family reunions during the week-end and a more thorough enjoyment of holiday festivities. It will also aid in instilling more of the Christmas cheer and spirit into the various religious exercises to take place on Sunday. as direct forerunners of the Sunday. Coming as they will as direct forerunners of the day itself, they cannot but be even more enjoyable than usual.

Special Christmas music will, according to the usual custom, be rendered in practically all of the town churches on Sunday morning. Some of the services will be more elaborate than others, but all will be actuated by the same spirit of peace on earth, good will to men. A detailed story, together with the programs of the music to be rendered, follows:

South Church

The South church will give place to four Christmas celebrations on Sunday. The first will be the regular service, at half past ten. The order of service will be in part as follows:

Organ Prelude, Pastorale from the Messiah
Anthem, Before the Heavens Were Spread Abroad — *H. W. Parker*
Hymn, O Come, All Ye Faithful — *Reading*
Baritone Solo, O Holy Night — *Adam*
Hymn, While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks by Night — *Handel*
Sermon, The Christmas Garment of Praise
Hymn, Joy to the World — *Handel*
Organ Postlude, Fugue in G — *Bach*

The music will be led by Miss Lillian N. Pike, soprano; J. Everett Collins, baritone, and a choir of 35 voices. Frederic G. Moore, organist and choir-master.

The second service will be the Sunday school concert at noon. In part the program will be:

Christmas Carol	Kindergarten
Recitation	Two Girls
Recitation	Seven Girls
Carol	Primary Department
Recitation	Six Boys
Recitation	Four Girls
Carol	Intermediate Department
Recitation	Five Girls
Recitation	Three Boys
Christmas Story	The Pastor

At 6.30 the Christian Endeavor society of the church will hold a Christmas meeting, which will be followed by a union Christmas Eve service in the upper church, in which four of the Protestant churches of the Center will join.

UNION SERVICE

Christmas Sunday evening has now grown to be almost synonymous with a special service at the South church under the leadership of the Courteous circle of King's Daughters.

One of these services is to take place next Sunday evening and the program which has been arranged indicates that the service will be a musical treat to those who attend.

In addition to the regular mixed chorus of forty voices, there will be the following to assist: Miss Charlotte White of Boston, 'cellist; Mrs Mary S. Jackson, contralto; and A. W. Bassett, tenor. Miss Lillian Pike, soprano, and J. Everett Collins, bass, will complete the quartet. Mrs. G. S. Allen of Lawrence will also be present and will read several selections.

The detailed program is given below:

Organ Prelude, March of the Magi Kings — *Dubois*
Hymn
Invocation
Festival Chorus, Hail, Gladdening Light
'Cello Solo, Meditation — *Squire*
Miss Charlotte White
Soprano Solo, Christmas — *Price*
Miss Lillian Pike
The Before Christmas Story
George Hodges, D.D.
Mrs. G. S. Allen, Lawrence
Carol, O Little Town of Bethlehem — *Neidlinger*
What the Bells Say
Mrs. Allen
Soprano Solo, Sancta Maria ('cello obligato) — *Faure*
Miss Pike
The Christmas Song
Mrs. Allen
'Cello Solo, Berceuse — *Squire*
Miss White
Organ Postlude, Recessional March — *Whitney*

Free Church

The Christmas concert of the Sunday school will be combined with the regular morning service at the Free church, at 10.30 o'clock. Carols by the junior choir and recitations by the children, supplemented by anthems by the choir, will be the main features. The pastor will also make a short address.

The program will be as follows:

Organ Prelude
Anthem, There Were Shepherds — *Vincent*
Call to Worship.
Hymn 137, Come and Worship
Invocation
Responsive Reading, No. 45
Hymn, The Angels' Song
Junior Choir
Prayer
Response
Anthem, Sing, O Daughter of Zion — *Swartz*
Hymn 132, O Little Town of Bethlehem (Second tune)
Notices and Weekly Offering
Offertory Anthem, Joy to the World — *Williams*
Hymn, Christmas Stars Are Shining
Choir of Boys
Recitation, Christmas Everywhere Tonight — *Phillips Brooks*
Recitation, When Christmas Comes — *Margaret Sangster*
Carol, Merry Christmas Bells Are Ringing
Junior Choir
Recitation, If I Were Santa Claus — *George Cooper*
Recitation, A Happy Christmas Thought
Recitation, A Christmas Carol — *James Russell Lowell*
Hymn, Silent Night
Quartet of Boys
Recitation, Bells Across the Snow — *Miss Havergal*
Recitation, The Three Kings — *H. W. Longfellow*
Carol, Ring Merrily, O Happy Christmas Bells
Junior Choir
Five-minute Address by the Pastor
Hymn 131, It Came upon the Midnight Clear (Tune, Page 133)
Prayer
Benediction
Organ Postlude

Christ Church

The vested choir at Christ church, under the direction of B. Frank Michelsen, organist and choirmaster, will as usual render appropriate music at the morning service. In addition to the usual musical parts of the service, there will be several special numbers, one of which will be Tours' anthem, "Sing, O Heavens."

Organ Prelude, Prayer and Cradle Song — *Guilmant*
Processional, Hymn 56 — *Wainwright*
Venite, Chant 55 — *Smith*
Te Deum in F flat — *Barrett*
Benedictus, Chant 40 — *Anon.*
Hymn 53 — *Avison*
Kyrie Eleison — *Ancient*
Anthem, Sing, O Heavens — *Tours*
Sanctus — *Garrett*
Communion Hymn 228 — *Monk*
Gloria in Excelsis — *Old Chant*
Recessional, Hymn 51 — *Mendelssohn*
Organ Postlude, Allegro Molto — *Parker*

St. Augustine's Church

Solemn High Mass will be celebrated at St. Augustine's church at 10.30 o'clock. At that service the following program will be carried out:

Processional, With Glory Lit — *Dielman*
Kyrie. Mass in Honor of St. Cecilia — *Rev. J. B. Turner*
Gloria in Excelsis — *Rev. J. B. Turner*

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A Christmas Thought

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Christmas can never be the same to us again. But there are coming Easters which will help us on toward our final Easter; where sighing shall forever cease in a reunion which shall never end. ****

Births

In Andover, Thursday, December 14, 1911, a son to Mr. and Mrs. Jeremiah O'Connor.

In Andover, Thursday, December 21, 1911, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. V. D. Harrington.

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Veni Creator *De Monti*
Credo *Rev. J. B. Turner*
Offertory, Adeste Fideles *Novello*
Sanctus *Rev. J. B. Turner*
Benedictus *Rev. J. B. Turner*
Agnus Dei *Rev. J. B. Turner*
Recessional, O Sing a Joyous Carol

At 7.30 o'clock there will be a solemn vesper service, the musical portion of which will be as follows:

Vesper Psalms *Est*
Adeste Fideles *Novello*
Magnificat *Rosewig*
Alma Redemptoris *Webbe*
O Salutaris Hostia *Rosewig*
Tantum Ergo *Schmid*
Laudate Dominum *Gregorian*
Postlude, War March of the Priests *Mendelssohn*

West Church

There will be no special Christmas music at the West church, but the morning service will of course be essentially a Christmas one. Hymns and organ music will be in keeping with the day and the pastor will preach on "The Kingship of Jesus."

The order of the service will be:

Organ Prelude, Offertory in F *Read*
Doxology
Call to Worship
Prayer and Invocation
Lord's Prayer
Responsive Reading
Gloria
Hymn, O Come All Ye Faithful
Scripture Lesson
Pastoral Prayer
Response
Offertory *Salome*
Hymn, To Us a Child of Hope Is Born
Sermon
Hymn Joy to the World
Benediction
Postlude *Stern*

Unitarian Church, North Andover

The following special program will be carried out on Sunday morning at the Unitarian church in North Andover.

The program:

Organ Voluntary, Christmas Pastoral *G. Merkel*
Old Hundred
Carols, In the Lonely Midnight
The Prince of Peace
Sunday School
Service for Christmas
Anthem, Angels from the Realms of Glory *H. Rowe Shelley*
Responsive Psalms
Carol, Glory to God
Sunday School
Scripture Reading
Prayer
Response, Hark, Hark My Soul *A. W. Lansing*
Hymn
Sermon, Christianity
Anthem, O Zion That Telleth Good Tidings *Dudley Buck*
Hymn
Benediction
Postlude, Grand Chorus *Churet*

Sunday School Observances

The Christmas party of the South church Sunday school will take place on Friday afternoon, December 29, from 4 to 6 o'clock. The children will be entertained with stories, and later a supper will be served, the committee in charge consisting of Mrs. F. H. Messer, Mrs. David Shaw, Mrs. J. H. Melledge, and Mrs. J. W. Barnard.

The West Church

The annual Christmas tree and entertainment at the West church this year occurs this evening (Friday) in the vestry. A committee from the Sunday school has the matter in charge and they promise a good time for all who come. The entertainment will consist of music and readings by Miss Hinton.

The Free Church

The Christmas entertainment of Free church Sunday school will be held tonight at 7.30 o'clock. A play, "Santa Claus at Mother Hubbard's," will be given by several members of the school and a violin solo by Master Samuel Hibbert. After the entertainment, confectionery and oranges will be given to the school.

The characters in the play are as follows:

Mother Hubbard — Mrs. Donald Laurie
Santa Claus — Louis Paine
Little Miss Muffett — Beatrice Goff
Little Boy Blue — Daniel Lowe
Bo-Peep — Mary Caldwell
Jack Horner — Hector Keith
Mistress Mary — Etta Brown
Jack and Jill — Edith Henderson, Herbert Otis

The Baptist Church

The Christmas celebration of the Sunday school of the Baptist church will take place on Saturday evening, and an evening full of pleasure for both children and grown-ups is anticipated.

A light supper will be served at 6.30 o'clock. This will be followed by an entertainment, and a Christmas tree. Santa Claus has agreed to be present and superintend the distribution of gifts from the tree. The scholars of the school are to present an offering to be hung upon the tree for the Kadiac Orphanage in Alaska.

The Seminary Church

The Seminary church Sunday school had its Christmas exercises on Sunday, December 17, because of the closing of the school during the Academy holidays. A service of Christmas carols and Scripture, arranged by the superintendent, Miss Delight Hall, was followed by a short, helpful talk by Mr. Stackpole, on "How we can have Christmas every day in the year," so simply expressed that even the youngest understood and appreciated it. The occasion was graced by the presence of several little tots not yet of Sunday school age. There were two trees as usual, one for the children, and one covered with gifts which the children themselves brought—"a give away tree."

Christ Church

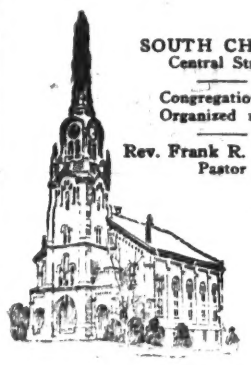
The Christmas service and tree for the children of Christ church Sunday school will take place on Saturday evening at 7.30 o'clock. At that hour a brief service will be held, at which Mr. Humphries will make an address. Following this the gift for the members of the school will be distributed from the tree.

CHURCH CALENDAR FOR NEXT WEEK

SOUTH CHURCH
Central Street

Congregational
Organized 1711

Rev. Frank R. Shipman
Pastor



10.30. Morning worship, with Christmas music and sermon.
12.00. Christmas concert of the Sunday School.
6.30. Y. P. S. C. E.
7.30. Union Christmas Eve service. (See other column.)
3.30 Tuesday. At 67 Central street, annual meeting of the visitors of the Home Department.
7.45 Wednesday. Midweek meeting.
4.00-6.00 Friday. Christmas party of the Junior department, and younger, in the Sunday School.

WEST CHURCH
West Parish

Congregational
Organized 1826

Rev. Dean A. Walker
Pastor



10.30. Morning worship. Christmas sermon by the pastor.
12.00. Sunday School.
3.00. Y. P. S. C. E.
2.30 Saturday. Juvenile Missionary society at the parsonage.

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No services.

FREE CHURCH, Congregational
Elm Street

Organized 1846

Rev. Frederic A. Wilson
Pastor



10.30 a.m. Worship, with special exercises appropriate to Christmas.
12 m. Sunday School.
6.30 p.m. The Y. P. S. C. E.
7.30 p.m. Union service at the South church, conducted by the King's Daughters.
7.45 p.m. Wednesday. Mid-week prayer and conference meeting

ST. AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH
Essex Street

Roman Catholic — Organized 1850

Rev. Fr. Riordan, Pastor



8.30 a.m. Mass and instruction, Sunday-school following.
10.30 a.m. High Mass and sermon.
4.10 p.m. Vespers.
First Sunday of each month, Communion day for Sacred Heart Sodality.
Second Sunday of each month, Communion day for the children.
Third Sunday of each month, Communion and Rosary Arch Confraternity.

CHRIST CHURCH
Central Street

Episcopal, Organized 1834

Rev. Frederic Palmer, D.D., Rector



7.15 p.m. Saturday, December 23. Sunday School festival and Christmas tree.
10.30 a.m. Morning prayer, with sermon by the rector.
7.30 p.m. Union Christmas service in the South church.
10.30 a.m. Christmas Day. Morning prayer and Holy Communion, with sermon by the rector.
3.45 p.m. Tuesday. Junior Auxiliary.
3.45 p.m. Tuesday. Boy Scouts.
7.30 p.m. Tuesday. Girls' Friendly society.
2.30 p.m. Thursday. Woman's Guild.

NORTH PARISH CHURCH
Unitarian

No. Andover Centre

Organized 1645

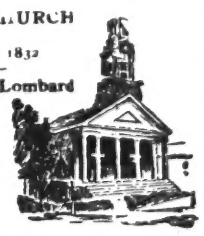
Rev. Wm. S. Nichols
Minister



10.30 a.m. Morning worship.
11.45 a.m. Sunday school.
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BAPTIST CHURCH
Organized 1832

Rev. W. E. Lombard



10.30 a.m. Preaching by the pastor.
12.00 m. Sunday School.
6.30. C. E. meeting.
7.15 p.m. Gospel service.
7.30 p.m. Union Christmas service at the South church.

Andover National Bank

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Andover National Bank will be held at their banking-rooms, Tuesday, the 9th day of January, 1912, at 9.15 o'clock a.m., for the choice of directors and the transaction of any other business that may properly come before them.

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McDOUGALL'S MUSINGS

About Having a Hobby

The little book I got as my Thanksgiving gift from my spiritual advisor gives the opinions of half a dozen great men of science on some modern views as to health and disease. One of these celebrated medical men says truly that it is just as natural to die as it is to be born, and that a healthy death gives little pain. Surely that doctor has a good, healthy hobby. In the chapter on Longevity, where one hundred years is said to be what a healthy person using proper precautions can reasonably hope to live, the writer says that those who have a hobby are likely to live longer than those who have no hobby. What are hobbies? It is a difficult matter to say, as there are so many things in this wonderful world to love and study, and get distraction and pleasure from. To me the use of a hobby is to get yourself out of yourself, or in other words to forget that you have aches and pains or anger and malice. When during the long watches of the night, sleep only comes in short half-hours, with nightmare dreams, it is a good hobby to have a memory of the songs and hymns you learned long ago. But the world is young and it is the young folks who make the world lively and not the old fogies of three score and ten. Music is a grand hobby to have. I do not mean only the knowledge of B flat or A sharp, as to read music at sight can be learned by those who have not the gift of singing or playing on an instrument. But the man or woman, the boy or girl, who can sing and give pleasure to others, has a God-given hobby.

In this connection let me say that in this town of Andover we are far behind France or Germany in the study of music. Even in Scotland in a little town like Andover, I just read today an account of an oratorio given by the young people of the town, the municipal, or as they call it, the town band, giving the instrumental parts of Handel's music creditably. I may also state that on Sunday afternoons this band gives sacred outdoor concerts. If we had this hobby for music the lounging inanity of the boys on Sunday at our street corners might be alleviated. It only requires one or two sensible, capable cranks to start Andover on a musical hobby, and so give us musical evenings now and again.

I am writing to the young men and women who are employed in our mills and stores when I say, get to like a hobby. I have mentioned music because it appeals to almost every living soul, and the poet says "He that has no music in him is a dangerous animal."

Hobbies are good things to cultivate. There is the whole field of nature—flowers and birds, sun, moon and stars, geology, drawing, painting, wood-carving. Knitting stockings is a good hobby to have. I know a man over eighty years of age who can sit up in his bed and knit stockings. He fully earns, he says, his tobacco money, and sends ten cents every Sunday to be put in the "plate." I have not mentioned reading as a hobby, yet the love for books is a useful hobby; even the love of old books and their curious bindings is a fascinating hobby. The rich can indulge their taste for old paintings—I notice that a million dollars was given the other day by a Philadelphia man for three Rembrandts. We can, if we like pictures, get good engravings of these masterpieces for a few dollars; that is, if we have this picture hobby.

A dear and tried friend gave me not long ago an engraving which has given me much pleasure. It is called "The Bank Holiday" and is dedicated to Sir John Lubbock, M. P., Banker, London. This engraving is neither a lot of people pushing each other to get a trolley car for Revere, nor a picnic with children. It is a picture of one man sitting on an old camp-stool, fishing. It is raining, and he holds up an old umbrella with one hand, his fishing-rod in the other. The creel is lying beside him, and a rather suspicious looking bottle sticks out of his coat pocket. He half looks at you and half at something else, but he says, I am on my holiday; I am getting bites and drinks and I don't care for the rain or vanity Fair or anything. I am on my holiday. There are no houses nor trees nor anything in this picture, not even the lake he is fishing in, and yet the splendid engraving speaks and says, "Be of good cheer." "Let patience have her perfect work."

By the way, Sir John Lubbock had hobbies. He was an authority on ants and a keen angler, as well as an authority in the financial world.

I close with a word as to books. No doubt you young folks get books to read from the public library. That's all right in its way; I advise you to begin to buy books so as to make them your very own. I cannot tell you what books to buy, but I can advise you to get an old soap-box, cover it with brown paper, and make that simple box be the place where your own books are safe. Buy books with good bindings; avoid ten-cent yellow paper bindings, and may you have a hobby that will help you to live to be a hundred and be able at this joyous season of the year to "eat the fat and drink the sweet and send a portion to him that needeth."

IAN McDOUGALL

Charles Frohman Tells a Story About Barrie

When "Peter Pan" was first played in Paris, writes Charles Frohman in the November Strand, I induced J. M. Barrie to see his play acted before the French. When Mr. Barrie entered his box he was obliged in accordance with the custom of the country, to yield a franc as a tip to the female usher, and another franc tip to the female who gave him a program. Mr. Barrie's extreme shyness is in direct ratio to his fame. He disliked sitting in the box during the whole performance, choosing rather to go out at every available opportunity and hide himself in some obscure corner of the building. But each time he re-entered his box he was greeted as a stranger by the omnipresent female usher and program lady. The one was just as determined to show Mr. Barrie to his box again as the other was that he should not enter it without a program. And it made just as little difference to one that the author knew where his box was as it did to the other that he did not need the program. Hence for each exit and entrance of his box Mr. Barrie paid dearly in francs. In fairness to the managers of the Paris theatres, it ought to be said that they would like exceedingly to do away with this nuisance; but they are powerless in the face of the traditionally-imposed governmental control and apparently never-diminishing supply of the widows of veterans—though France has not had a war since the 'seventies.

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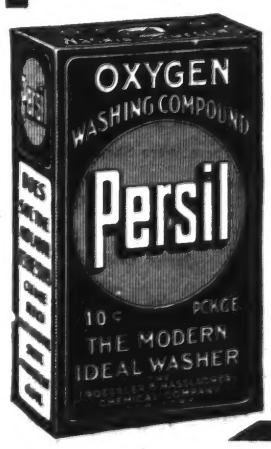
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ATTRACTIONS AT THE THEATRES

Boston Theatres

Shubert—Sothern and Marlowe.
Plymouth—"Princess Zim Zim."
Colonial—"The Pink Lady."
Castle Sq.—"The Wizard of Oz."
Globe—"Mutt and Jeff."
Hollis—"The Seven Sisters."
Park—"Wallingford."
Majestic—"Everywoman."
Tremont—"Dr. de Luxe."

COLONIAL

"The Pink Lady" is proving very successful at the Colonial. Hazel Dawn makes a delightful pink lady, and the other parts are well cast.

CASTLE SQUARE

Mr. Craig's annual production of "The Wizard of Oz" will be given this evening. Specially prepared scenery and costumes have been arranged.

HOLLIS STREET

"The Seven Sisters" is creating great entertainment at the Hollis Street theatre, and theatre-goers are taking advantage of the last opportunities for seeing it. Next week David Belasco presents "The Concert."

PARK

The thirteenth week of Wallingford at the Park theatre is as successful as was its first appearances, and the play seems good for a long run yet.

LAWRENCE OPERA HOUSE

"Madame Sherry"

"Madame Sherry," which comes to the Opera House December 30, is built around a polka. It lives and moves and has its being in it. It will probably die of it, but not for many years yet, for the musical play is good enough of its kind to outlast the generation that produced it. The all-pervading polka which is called "Every Little Movement Has a Meaning of Its Own," has a charming, catchy lilt to it. It will be sung by Lina Abarbanell, who comes to Lawrence with the original New York New Amsterdam theatre company intact.

"The Lost Trail"

Many conservative critics in the larger cities during the past four years, have pronounced "The Lost Trail" to be the finest example of a western play yet written. Possessing no sensational features or gunplay, the piece has depended for its phenomenal success upon its beautiful love story, its wonderful characterizations and its wealth of atmosphere, and these qualities seem to have met with the universal approval of theatre-goers wherever the drama has been presented, judging by the large and appreciative audiences. "The Lost Trail" will be seen in this city at the Opera House, Christmas Day, matinee and evening.

"Seven Sisters"

Jean Murdock is the leading woman with Charles Cherry's company in "The Seven Sisters" this season, which will be seen at the Opera House next Tuesday evening, December 26. Miss Murdoch is a young woman of unusual attractiveness. She has a most engaging personality, an excellent voice, and possesses that peculiar individual charm so essential for success on the stage. Miss Murdoch studied for the stage in Chicago and took her stage name of Murdoch at the request of her teacher, who was a pupil of the great tragedian, James B. Murdoch, who was prominent among America's distinguished actors a generation ago. Curiously enough Miss Murdoch is one of seven sisters in real life.

METHUEN

At the vaudeville entertainment cently held under the auspices of the Christian League of Methuen, $106.77 was realized.

The Blue Ribbon bake shop on Hampshire street was broken into recently, although no articles of great value were taken.

Repairs have been made in the town house in the room formerly occupied by the national bank. The new occupant will be Town Clerk Howe.

Saturday evening in the town hall an old-fashioned supper was served under the auspices of the Samuel Adams chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution.

At the Congregational church on Sunday morning, Rev. A. Gertrude Earle of the Gleason Memorial Universalist church was the speaker, exchanging pulpits with Rev. C. H. Oliphant, pastor of the church.

At a meeting of the board of selectmen Saturday afternoon in their office in the town house, Thomas Dow, John May and Thomas Doran were appointed fire engineers for the year ending December 31, 1912.

The local police are still looking for traces of the men who threw the B. & M. handcar into the Spicket river near the arches. The water where the car was found was only about two feet deep under the trestle.

Two plays were successfully presented at the town hall on Friday evening, under the auspices of the Ladies' Social Union of the Gleason Memorial church. The titles were "A Man's Voice," and "The Packing of the Home Missionary Barrel."

A Novel Birth Certificate

Since the Old-Age Pensions Act has been in operation in England, says a writer in the November "Strand Magazine," there has been a great search for birth certificates, in order to enable those entitled to its benefits to claim their pensions. As the registration of births, more than seventy years ago, was not carried out as now, there has been a difficulty in many cases in proving the age of the applicants, and in one instance at least a certificate of an exceedingly novel character was presented. At any rate, the local pensions officer said he had never come across one like it, and he was quite prepared to take it as a proof of the age of the applicant. When a child was born in this particular family a clear glass bottle was procured and partly filled with salt; then the letters and figures forming the names of the child and date of birth were cut out of a newspaper and placed inside the bottle, being put in their correct position with a piece of wire, and then more salt was carefully added to keep them in place. Sprays of flowers and other ornamental designs, cut from cretonne, were also tastefully arranged around the inside of the bottle, and then the whole was tightly packed with salt, and corked and sealed. It was then placed in a prominent position on the dresser or in a corner cupboard, where it has been for more than seventy years. The white salt shows up the letters and ornaments in relief, and the whole effect is novel and pleasing.

LIFE NOT WORTH LIVING

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LAWRENCE

The most important news in Lawrence this week has been the city election. On Tuesday, by an overwhelming majority of 1998, Alderman Michael A. Scanlon was elected mayor, the first to receive that honor under the new form of government. The reform candidate literally swept the city, carrying every precinct save one, and losing that one by only one vote. The successful aldermen were Paul Hannagan, Cornelius F. Lynch, each for two years; Michael S. O'Brien and Robert S. Maloney, each for one year.. The school committee vote resulted in the election of John Breen and Clinton O. Andrews, for two years, and Daniel A. Arundel and Michael A. Landers, for one year. The total number of votes cast was 10,069.

The vote was as follows:

Mayor	
Scanlon	5975
Sullivan	3977
Aldermen—2 years	
Hannagan	5225
Lynch	5086
Aldermen—1 year	
O'Brien	4909
Maloney	4851
School Committee—2 years	
Breen	5671
Andrews	4312
School Committee—1 year	
Arundel	5335
Landers	4707
License	
No	3177
Yes	6381

The first men's meeting in the new Y. M. C. A. building was held on Sunday afternoon.

Rev. Robert W. Beers, the new pastor of the Lawrence Street church, made his first appearance in his new capacity last Sunday.

The friends of ex-Mayor William P. White are working energetically to secure signatures to a petition for his pardon. White has served about half of his sentence.

The Lawrence Harvard club held its fifth annual dinner last Saturday night at the Merrimack Valley Country club. The occasion was one of the most enjoyable in the history of the club.

The membership campaign of the Y. M. C. A., which had for its aim the increasing of the number of members to 1200, was more than successful, inasmuch as when all reports were handed in on Saturday night it was found that the total reached was 1391.

The Lawrence police are searching the city for the men who recently blew the safe of the Emerson Shoe Factory at Hampstead, N. H. It is thought that the yeggs are in this vicinity as on Saturday a handcar marked "Windham," on which the thieves probably made good their escape, was found in the Spicket river.

After an existence of nearly fifty years the common council held its last meeting on Monday evening. This is due to the fact that the new charter provides only for a single chamber government, and the lower branch thus passes out. At the meeting, votes of thanks were passed to the various officials of the council.

NORTH ANDOVER

A new horse has been purchased for the fire department.

Rev. John L. Keedy gave an interesting talk at the P. S. A. club meeting in Methuen Sunday afternoon.

Local Hebrews celebrated the feast of lights, which began after sunset Saturday, extending for eight days.

The Grange held a competitive entertainment Tuesday evening in the hall by the organization at the Centre.

Mrs. Mary Smith, widow of James Smith, died Friday night at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Samuel Church, Ashland street.

Sunday afternoon at 4.30 o'clock, there will be a Christmas tree in St. Paul's parish house for the members of the Sunday school.

Nathaniel A. Gage of the River district has gone to Albany, N. Y., and Hillsboro and East Washington, N. H., on a business trip.

The Ladies' Benevolent society held a quilting party and tea, Wednesday afternoon in the Trinitarian Congregational church vestry.

Miss Sarah Kittredge of Academy road, in the Centre, has returned from New York city, where she had been visiting for a number of weeks.

The pool tournament at the Stevens Social club house closed the other evening. Frank McEvoy won the first prize and Fred W. Driver second prize.

Mrs. Peter Holt, Mrs. William F. Hodgetts and Mrs. E. W. A. Holt are to have charge of the social and supper of the Charitable Union on Wednesday evening.

There will be a Christmas party in the vestry of the Old North church Saturday, from 5.30 to 9 o'clock p.m. After a supper for the Sunday school there will be a tree and entertainment.

The members of the Stevens Social club, a popular and thriving organization, conducted a whist party and dance, Friday evening, at their nicely appointed clubhouse on Pleasant street.

A quartet composed of the Misses Cora, Carrie, Helen and Elsa Bassett, of the River district, rendered several selections, Friday evening, at an entertainment in the Ward Hill church, under the auspices of the Young People's Christian Endeavor society.

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machinery for less than thirty consecutive minutes shall justify such overtime employment, nor shall such overtime employment be authorized until a written report of the day and hour of its occurrence and its duration is sent to the chief of the district police or to an inspector of factories and public buildings.

Section 49. A parent or guardian who permits a minor under his control to be employed in violation of either of the two preceding sections, and any person who, either for himself or as superintendent, overseer or agent for another, employs any person in violation of the provisions of either of said sections, or fails to post the notice required by either of the preceding sections, or makes a false report of the stopping of machinery under the provisions of the preceding section, shall be punished by a fine of not less than fifty nor more than one hundred dollars. A certificate of the age of a minor made and sworn to by him and by his parent or guardian at the time of his employment in a mercantile, manufacturing or mechanical establishment shall be prima facie evidence of his age in any prosecution under the provisions of this section.

Also Acts of 1911, Chapter 229. Relative to the employment of women in mercantile, manufacturing and mechanical establishments.

Section 1. No woman shall knowingly be employed in laboring in a mercantile, manufacturing or mechanical establishment within two weeks before or four weeks after child-birth.

Section 2. The foregoing section shall be included in the notice with regard to the employment of women now required to be posted in mercantile, manufacturing and mechanical establishments, and the provisions thereof shall be enforced by the district police.

Section 3. Violations of section one of this act shall be punished by a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars.

Section 4. This act shall take effect on the first day of January, nineteen hundred and twelve. (Approved March 31, 1911.

This form of notice is the form approved by the Attorney-General, as above required, and must be filled out, posted in a conspicuous place and complied with.

J. H. WHITNEY,
Chief. Mass. District Police.

No Hope for Elopements

Andover has never been notorious for sudden, unpremeditated elopements, by which are effected the union of young men and maidens sans parental concent. That she never will become notorious in that respect is now assured by the act recently passed in regard to the notices of marriage intentions, and which goes into effect the first of January. This act, which declares that all persons intending to be joined in marriage must declare their intentions in the office of the town or city clerk not less than five days before their marriage, precludes the possibility of elopements or an unusually hast' marriage.

The amendment relating to the declarations reads as follows:

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AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE NOTICE OF INTENTION OF MARRIAGE

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Section sixteen of chapter one hundred and fifty-one of the Revised Laws is hereby amended by inserting after the word "shall", in the second line, the words:—not less than five days,—so as to read as follows:—*Section* 16. Persons who intend to be joined in marriage in this commonwealth shall, not less than five days before their marriage, cause notice of their intention to be entered in the office of the clerk or registrar of the city or town in which they respectively dwell, or, if they do not dwell within the commonwealth, in the office of the clerk or registrar of the city or town in which they propose to have the marriage solemnized.

SECTION 7. This act shall take effect on the first day of January, nineteen hundred and twelve. [*Approved July* 19, 1911.

Novel Electric Signs

A great many of the electric signs now being installed are of the moving type. Walk down most any city street after dark and you will see many illuminated signs of very novel and interesting design. Here a long red and blue snake seems to be wriggling from the street to the top of a building. On the other side a wheel is rapidly revolving; below it yellow smoke is issuing in clouds from a huge brown cigar. There is also a large theatre sign which suddenly flashes into view only to disappear after an interval long enough to read it. A large sign on a department store comes into view in in sections, the blue border first, the words to the ad. in white and last the firm's name in bright, red letters. In front of a moving picture theatre the bill is announced in a big sign which spells the words letter by letter.

It is quite puzzling to the ordinary pedestrian to explain the wonderful light effects. It is apparent that the light is obtained from electricity, but this is about all that is understood. In such signs, where a snake seems to be wriggling along, a cat chases a rat, words that spell themselves letter by letter, and in all other similar signs, the effect is produced by a mechanical device called a "flasher" which lights the tiny electric sign lamps in the order required to produce the effect. This flasher is driven by a tiny motor.

The flasher is made up of a number of fingers, and each finger drops in its turn upon a metal plate that is electrically connected with a certain letter or series of letters, or in the case of the snake or rat chasers, with certain bulbs. The flasher is driven rapidly and in this way the snake can be speeded around its course very swiftly. Where the only effect desired is a sign in which one letter is illuminated at a time the flasher becomes a much simpler device, but in all cases the underlying principle is the same.

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RED TAPE IN GERMANY.

A Railway Ticket, a Controversy and a Delayed Train.

In an account of the duchy of Teck and its inhabitants by the Rev. S. Baring-Gould an amusing experience is thus described by the author:

"We are wont, we Englishmen, to grumble at red tapism, but with us it does not go beyond the government offices. In Germany it is everywhere. I had an instance of it between Ober Lenningen and Owen. I had asked at the former place for a third class ticket to Owen and had stepped into a third class carriage. On these branch lines nearly every one travels fourth. I counted twelve compartments fourth, nine third and three second. There was no first class compartment. Before reaching the next station—in fact, a mile from Ober Lenningen—the inspector came round.

"'Hah, you have a fourth class ticket and are in a third class compartment! The fine is 6 marks.'

"I explained and offered at once to pass into an inferior carriage or pay the difference.

"'That will not do. You have infringed the law and must pay 6 marks.'

"I get out at Owen and will explain matters to the station master.

"I did so

"'The fine is 6 marks,' said this latter peremptorily.

"'But,' said I, 'I demanded a third class ticket and was given one for which I had not asked. This was an oversight of the clerk.'

"'You should have examined your ticket.'

"The train was delayed five minutes while the matter was thrashed out on the platform, the travelers craning their necks out of the windows of their respective carriages, looking on and listening with lively interest. At last reluctantly the station master yielded. I must pay the difference.

"'What is it?'

"'One penny!'"

MADE THE GUESTS PAY.

Demanded Tips For the Servants at the Court of Napoleon III.

"Before we left Compiegne at the conclusion of our visit at the court of Napoleon III.," writes Mme. de Hegermann-Lindencrone in Harper's, "when we were taking our morning tea we were interrupted by the coming in of the major domo, who handed us a paper. We were not unprepared for this visit, as we had been told by one of the guests who had been here before that every one was expected to remain in their rooms until this important personage had made his rounds in order to collect the pourboire. I say pourboire because what one generally gives separately is lumped into one sum. This paper, which he handed to us almost at the point of his hallebarde, proved to be a gia scritto receipt for 600 francs—our pourboire!

"We were rather a subdued party in the train. The conversation mostly turned on the subject of pourboires. The hussier decided the exact amount that each ought to give. For instance, he knows an ambassador ought to give 2,000 francs. For a minister of state 1,000 francs suffice. Unofficial people like ourselves cannot be expected to be out of pocket more than 600 francs. As for the poor nobility of France, they escape with 500! Some were of opinion that it was pleasanter to give en masse in one big sum than to give in driblets, others thought it more satisfactory to hand one's offering personally to the different servants, but we all with one voice voted the officious beadle an imposition."

The Stickleback Legend.

The stickleback is one of the species of fish that build nests. There is a legend that the stickleback builds a nest because during the deluge it pulled the tow out of the bilge hole of the ark, and if it had not been for the hedgehog, who plugged up the leak with his own body, Noah and his sons would have had an exciting time baling out their boat. When Noah found out who had done the deed he ordered as a punishment that the culprit should be compelled each year to build a nest, while other fishes would have an easy time of it.

Nearly all small industries, such as shirt factories, silk mills, brick plants, foundries and machine shops, located where electricity is available are now driven by electric-motor power. It is the most reliable and the cheapest, costing less for accidents and delays.

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SERVICES FOR NEXT WEEK

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Sunday school to follow.
6.00 p.m. Christmas concert.
7.30 p.m. Thursday. Prayer meeting.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Rev. C. J. Mekkelson, Pastor.

SERVICES FOR NEXT WEEK

10.30 a.m. Worship, with Christmas sermon by the pastor.
Sunday School to follow.
6.15 p.m. Christmas concert.
7.30 p.m. Thursday. Prayer meeting.

Mrs. Everett Marsh has returned to her home in Dedham.

John Teague of Liverpool, Me., is visiting relatives in the village.

Amos B. Loomer has purchased a new horse for his meat business.

Miss Bertha Ryan of Methuen spent Sunday with Mrs. Freeman Abbott.

Mrs. Millie B. Hammond of Andover spent Friday with friends in the village.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy W. Townsend have moved into the Moody house for the winter.

Rev. C. J. Mekkleson is having his two weeks vacation from his studies at the Boston University.

Timothy Haggerty of Lynn spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Haggerty, Andover street.

The Congregational Ladies' Aid society will hold a New Year's supper and entertainment in the church vestry Monday evening, January 1.

Gas was put into the Methodist Church Thursday. This much needed improvement will be greatly appreciated by the people that worship there.

Mrs. Willis B. Hodgkins and daughter Barbara, and Charlotte Eaton, have been spending the week at the Hodgkins' former home in Hanover, N. H.

Rev. Augustus H. Fuller will preach a Christmas sermon specially to the children next Sunday forenoon. The Christmas concert will be held Sunday evening at six o'clock. The public is cordially invited to attend.

There was a good attendance at the Christmas sale of the Helping Hand society at the Methodist parsonage Friday afternoon and evening. Most of the articles were sold and a good sum was realized for the society treasury.

Ballardvale lodge held a meeting of exceptional interest Monday evening. The good of the order, which was in charge of Miss Sadie M. Kent, consisted of a conundrum dinner, which caused much merriment. The first prize was won by Mrs. J. H. Smith. On account of Monday evening being Christmas, the next meeting of the lodge will be held on Wednesday evening, December 27.

Addison P. Wonson has again, with his well-known generosity and interest in the best welfare of the village, presented each of the three Ballardvale churches with his yearly donation. Such manifestations of good will and unprejudiced concern in the best interests of the community cannot but be a help and uplift to the people of the village.

The Congregational Christmas Tree exercises will be held in Bradlee Hall Saturday evening at 7.00, and the Methodist Christmas Tree exercises will be held in the Church Saturday evening at 7.00 o'clock. The Congregational Christmas concert will be held Sunday evening, at 6.00 o'clock, and the Methodist at 6.15. The public is cordially invited to all the exercises.

Peter McQueen's lecture on Mexico, Wednesday evening in Bradlee hall was well attended. The well-known lecturer in his own inimitable way described what he saw on his recent visit to that country during the troublesome times that caused the resignation of President Diaz, who so long ruled that country with an iron hand. The views thrown on the screen were good and very realistic and added much to the evening's entertainment.

Twenty-fifth Anniversary

Twenty-five of the friends of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Haeber from Reading, Lawrence and Boston tendered them a pleasant surprise last Sunday, the occasion being their silver wedding anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Haeber were the recipients of many handsome and costly gifts as mementoes of the joyful occasion.

Everybody spent a happy day and the affair was a complete success in every respect.

ANDOVER NEWS

Agricultural Institute

An institute and free lecture will be held under the auspices of the Essex Agricultural society, in Haverhill city hall on Thursday, December 28, at 2.30 p.m. The lecturer will be Charles E. North, M.D., of New York City, and his subject will be, "Sanitary milk production by our present milk producers through co-operation."

In Way of Correction

In making secord of several court items last week, the statement was made that Horace Hale Smith, who is one of Andover's highly esteemed citizens, had lost a verdict to some one who had sued him for alleged wrong surveying. The statement did not go far enough, for it should have announced that Mr. Smith appealed the case, and it is far from settled that there is any plausible claim against him upon such a charge as has been made. As a matter of fact, those who know the excellent service that Mr. Smith is capable of rendering as surveyor and engineer will realize that whatever technical claim any party may have against him, there is no justification for any suggestions that he is not only a capable and efficient surveyor, but that he is highly skilled in his profession as well.

I. O. G. T. Notes

Andover lodge, I. O. G. T., No. 26, will meet in the A. O. U. W. hall on Tuesday evening, December 26, at 7.30. After the meeting there will be a Christmas cheer meeting. The Juveniles will furnish the readings, songs and music. The admission is 15 cents to all.

Pride of Andover Juveniles met in Abbott Village hall Monday, December 18, Annie Haddon, C. T., presiding. One candidate was initiated. After the routine business was gone through, there were songs and readings by the members, which were enjoyed by all.

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The "Messiah" at Lawrence

The first concert of the third season of the Lawrence Choral society will be given in the city hall, Wednesday evening, January 3, 1912, at 8 o'clock. The oratorio will be the "Messiah," which was rendered so brilliantly last Christmastide to an audience which completely filled city hall. This year the performance promises to surpass last year's, and it will be unique in many ways. Since last year the society lost by death its brilliant leader, Arthur S. Wonson of Gloucester, and his place has been taken by E. G. Hood, a leader of note, of Nashua, N. H. Mr. Hood has his own ideas of interpreting the "Messiah." He is of French temperament and ancestry, although his father was a Yorkshireman. His idea of tempi and expression are characteristically French, and many of the so-called Handel traditions are shattered. Perhaps the most sensational change in the time-honored rendition of the great oratorio is the omission of the final "Amen" chorus, and for it Mr. Hood will substitute the "Hallelujah Chorus," following immediately after "Worthy Is the Lamb." The conductor believes, and he is not alone in his belief, that this is the place for the "Hallelujah Chorus," making a fitting climax to the great work.

The chorus numbers 100 voices and will be accompanied by players from the Boston Festival orchestra, led by John W. Crowley.

The soloists will be, Miss Bertha Kinsel, soprano, who was heard in the "Golden Legend" last year, and created a most favorable impression by the purity and flexibility of her voice. The wondrous sweetness of Miss Kinsel's voice pleased all and there is not a doubt that with a few more years experience she will be ranked among the first American sopranos.

Paul Althouse, tenor, of New York, is an artist of rare ability. Although only twenty-two years of age, he has filled concert engagements with the New York Mozart club, Philadelphia Haydn society, etc., appearing on programs with Louise Homer, Hissem De Moss and other equally well known artists. He is a dramatic tenor, with a voice clear and resonant, reaching his high tones easily without resorting to falsetto.

Miss Viola Van Orden, alto, is a western young lady, coming to Boston from California. The charm of her voice lies in the lower and middle registers, where the rich tones are vibrant with color and power.

Mr. Albert Edmund Brown, bass, the head of the department of music at the Lowell Normal School, is well qualified to render the difficult bass arias of the "Messiah," having assisted the best Oratorio societies in England, as well as in this country. His voice is of peculiarly flexible quality, and good range.

Tickets, reserved seats 75 cents, general admission 50 cents, are now on sale by Miss Alice Coutts, Miss Mary Scott, and G. A. Christie, members of the chorus, and at the Andover Bookstore.

Tickets can be exchanged for reserved seats on and after Friday, December 22, at Knuepfer & Dimmock's, 254 Essex street, Lawrence. Telephone 1355.

A Day Nursery Next

We have the Andover Guild doing its splendid work for the children, and in the near future the aged people will have as snug a harbor as can be found anywhere. Over the door of this Home, in letters of gold should be written the name of the woman, the mother of the dormitory system in Andover, whose loving thought and ceaseless energy saw a way out of the difficulties preventing the opening of the Home, and with the aid of generous public-spirited citizens removed those obstacles. Extensive repairs are to be made on the Punchard avenue estate now owned by the corporation of the Andover Home for Aged People. But there is always one thing more needed. In the summer there are very little children wandering in our streets whose mothers are busy in our laundries and kitchens. In the winter, huddled over the one fire, are the same little children taking care of the baby, for there is always one, while the tired mother toils on, wondering what Jimmy and Mary and all the rest are doing at home. If these babies only could have some comfortable place to stay during the necessary absence of the mother! Ponder on this problem, thoughtful reader, for properly solved, the domestic burdens in the homes of the rich and the poor would be lightened.

Death

In Andover, Wednesday, December 20, 1911, aged 30 years, Malcolm H. Tucker.

Her Beauty

By LUCY K. WYNKOOP

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Leonore was marvelously beautiful. When she passed along the street persons would turn to look after her. At social gatherings the hum of chat among those about her would cease, all being intent in admiring the curves of her figure and the exquisite cast of her face. From childhood, though her parents endeavored to keep a knowledge of her gift from her, she could not but know it. Persons are less careful of making a child vain than a woman.

Leonore did not grow to be a vain woman. But since the only gift of which she was made aware was her beauty, she came to prize it. Seeing others about her courted for this or that possession, she came to regard her own blessing as the only means of keeping her in her eminent position. So long as her beauty lasted so long would she be admired. When her beauty was gone she must sink to the level of ordinary persons.

But one real lover worshiped Leonore, and unfortunately for him he could find no corresponding gift to hers in himself to warrant his aspirations with regard to her. He considered himself as set aside by fate from possessing her; not an adverse fate, simply fate. At an early age he found himself at the head of a family—his father's family. His father had died, and the boy took up the man's work. He did not regret doing so, nor was he proud to do so. He considered that he was doing what it was natural for him to do. Had he been granted time enough before assuming these responsibilities perhaps he might have placed himself in a position from which he could advance. As it was, he was but a bookkeeper.

When Leonore was thirty she fell ill. During her illness it became necessary that she should submit to a serious operation. For weeks after it had been performed she hovered between life and death. For months after she passed out of danger she was obliged to be wheeled about in her chair.

During her convalescence she would not look into a mirror. Her nurse dressed her hair long after she was able to do so herself, because Leonore could not bear to see her altered appearance. But one day she made up her mind that if her beauty had departed she must submit to the loss. Ignoring it would not restore it. She called for a mirror.

Great heavens! Were those pale features hers? Was she looking out of those dull eyes? Did that mixture of gray and black hair grow on her head? She dropped the mirror on her lap and covered her face with her hands.

One day when she had so far improved in health as to walk out she met the bookkeeper. So many persons had passed her without recognizing her that she wondered if he, too, would do so. She had known him since childhood. She knew his situation, but his views concerning it were not hers. She felt that he was making a sacrifice—a sacrifice that she could not make. Indeed, during the time her beauty had remained to her she had considered it a very poor equivalent for his uncomplaining acceptance of a duty. And now that she was below the average in personal appearance his advantage over her seemed to have become a mountain between them. As he approached her heart almost stopped beating.

He not only recognized her, but if he experienced any shock at her changed appearance he did not show it. He had not loved her for her beauty, and its loss did not therefore affect him as much as was to have been expected. Indeed, his mind was moving in another channel. He had always felt that Leonore's beauty was a barrier between them. While she had been ill his mother had died, and the older children had become independent. While he sympathized with Leonore at the loss of her beauty, the fact rushed upon him that the only inequality between them had vanished. And yet that loss she prized so dearly endeared her the more to him.

Leonore was right in supposing that the especial prominence she enjoyed would die with her beauty. One does not give up such prominence without a pang! But Leonore was pleased to notice that a few who had been nearest and dearest to her were in no wise changed with regard to her. People passed her on the street without looking at her. At social functions the young men were no longer brought up in throngs to be presented to her. She did not go to balls, for she knew that her card instead of being full to overflowing would be a blank.

But one thing she had gained. The bookkeeper—he was not now an accountant, but the manager of the business where he had been an underling—was devoted to her. The feeling that he lived for her went far beyond compensation for the loss of that admiration she had received from strangers. A happiness stole into her heart more precious than the admiration of the throng.

And now Leonore, a middle aged woman, with children, has forgotten what she ever so much prized, and wonders why she prized it. The admiration it brought her was as short lived as that which had caused it. Her husband and her children are all in all to her. She does not even know that with the return of health her physical appearance is to the beauty of her youth what autumn is to spring.

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